HOUSE BILL 2036

By Love

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 49 and Title 71, relative to childcare.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Subject to appropriation by the general assembly, the department shall expand the smart steps child care program such that assistance under the program must be made available to all families residing in this state whose household gross income is below the 75th percentile of the state median income (SMI) for the state.

SECTION 2. For purposes of rule promulgation, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020, the public welfare requiring it.